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Mr. W. Wilson White
 Assistant Attorney General
 Office of Legal Counsel
 Department of Justice
 Washington 25, D.C.

OGC HAS REVIEWED.

Dear Mr. White:

This is in reply to your letter of September 5, 1957 to the Director of Central Intelligence with respect to executive powers exercised by the Central Intelligence Agency under the national emergency proclaimed by President Truman on December 16, 1950, Proclamation 2914.

We will first comment on the Code citations.

Although 10 U.S.C. 2304(a)(1) falls within the jurisdiction of this Agency, during recent years it has not been found necessary or advisable to invoke this particular authority. We have no direct interest in the remaining four Code citations listed by you.

With respect to the specific questions posed on page two of your letter:

(1) We know of no additional powers possessed by this Agency which would depend for their existence on the emergency proclamation in question and therefore feel that the citations on page one of your letter are complete.

(2) From the standpoint of this Agency we would not object to the elimination of any of the powers listed.

(3) We are not currently making use of any powers which are based upon the emergency proclamation.

(4) Of the powers within the jurisdiction of this Agency which depend upon the existence of this emergency, there are none which in our opinion should be continued in the event the emergency is terminated.

We hope that the foregoing will be of assistance to you and if any further information is needed please call upon us.

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Very truly yours,

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SIGNED
 Lawrence R. Houston
 General Counsel